

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants	:	A. Carleton Elliott et al.
Application No.	:	10/773,757
Filing Date	:	February 6, 2004
For	:	COMPRESSION POST FOR STRUCTURAL SHEAR WALL
Examiner	:	Chi Q. Nguyen
Group Art Unit	:	3635
Confirmation No.	:	4027

**RESPONSE TO MAY 18, 2007 OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the May 18, 2007 Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.